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CNR* 2007 Compound-Nuclear Reactions and Related Topics

22 – 26 October 2007 Tenaya Lodge at Yosemite National Park, Fish Camp, California, USA

Second Circular - October 2007

Dear CNR* 2007 Participant,

Thank you for your interest in the upcoming workshop on Compound-Nuclear Reactions and Related Topics (CNR* 2007). This, second, circular contains practical information about the meeting. I hope that the circular, along with our web site, http://cnr07.llnl.gov, will answer most of your questions regarding the workshop. Please do not hesitate to contact any one of the organizers if you have further questions, comments, or concerns.

We are looking forward to seeing you in Fish Camp later this month. Best regards, Jutta Escher

For the organizing committee:

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1) Workshop web site:

Information on the workshop, including program, participants, directions, etc., can be found on the workshop web site: http://cnr07.llnl.gov

2) Workshop dates, location, and scientific program:

The workshop will begin on Monday, October 21, at 8.30 am, and end on Friday, October 26, at noon.

The meeting will take place at Tenaya Lodge, a mountain resort set two miles from Yosemite National Park's southern gate (http://www.tenayalodge.com/). The Lodge's street address is 1122 Highway 41, Fish Camp, CA 93623, and the phone number is 1-888-514-2167 or 1-877-635-5807 or +1-559-253-2005.

The program will be sent out by email and posted on the workshop web site, http://cnr07.llnl.gov Speakers and poster presenters have been informed by email of their session assignments. For more details, see the speaker instructions below. Please contact the organizing committee promptly if you have to cancel your participation.

3) Workshop fees and registration procedures:

Registration Fee (in U.S. currency)		
	Early registration	Late registration
	Before October 5	After October 5
	(expired)	(current)
Full registration (regular participant)	\$300	\$400
Reduced fee (student participant)	\$200	\$300
Banquet (Tuesday, October 23)	-	\$60
Excursion (tentative)	-	Approx. \$35

Registration fees include coffee and afternoon/evening breaks, two box lunches (Monday and Wednesday), and all meeting documents. On-line registration is now closed, late registration can be completed on-site (by personal or cashier's check).

Refund policy: Withdrawals received by October 5, 2007 will result in a full refund of the registration fee. There will be **no refund** for withdrawals received after October 5, 2007.

The on-site registration desk will be located in or just outside the meeting room and will be open Sunday, October 21, from 5 pm until 8 pm, as well as 30 minutes prior to and during most sessions.

4) Banquet:

The workshop banquet will take place on the evening of Tuesday, October 23. It will start with a no-host (cash) bar at 6 pm and dinner will be served at 7 pm. The cost for the dinner is \$60 per person and includes a salad, the main course (choice of chicken, beef, salmon, vegetarian), dessert, wine, and coffee/tea.

Electronic sign up for the banquet will take place through the registration (RegOnline) web site. Since the process is a little involved, we will send out separate instructions. LLNL employees: Banquet expenses cannot be charged to a cost account; please use a credit card. Foreign participants: If you do not have a credit card, please contact Nancy Reason (reason2@llnl.gov) as soon as possible to make alternative arrangements.

Please sign up for the banquet no later than **Thursday**, **October 18**, as we have to forward the banquet order to the catering service the next morning.

5) Excursion:

The afternoon of Wednesday, October 24, has been reserved for an excursion. Tenaya Lodge has offered to organize a bus tour to Yosemite, provided a minimum number of participants sign up. The cost will be around \$35. Sign-up will take place at the Lodge on Sunday, October 21, and Monday, October 22. Participants who will arrive Monday evening or later and want to participate in the excursion, should contact Nancy Reason (reason2@llnl.gov). More details will be announced separately.

There are also opportunities for shorter hikes and walks in the area. We recommend that participants bring good walking shoes.

6) Accommodations:

The rooms reserved for workshop participants at Tenaya Lodge are now sold out. If you have not secured your accommodation yet, we suggest that you contact Nancy Reason (reason2@llnl.gov) for a list of alternative lodging options.

7) Travel and transportation:

Tenaya Lodge is located in the town of Fish Camp, two miles from Yosemite National Park's southern gate. It is approximately a 210 miles/3 hrs 45 mins drive from San Francisco International airport (SFO) and 60 miles/1 hr 15 mins from Fresno Yosemite International airport (FAT). For maps, directions, and weather conditions, see the workshop web site.

8) Babysitting services:

Tenaya Lodge can provide babysitting services upon request (\$10/hour for the first child, \$2/hour per additional child, 3-hour minimum, advanced notice required). Please contact Tenaya directly to make arrangements.

9) Internet and computer access:

Tenaya Lodge provides wireless internet access. Conference participants are eligible for the discounted rate of \$5 per day and should inquire about this during check-in at the hotel reception desk. Bandwidth is limited, so workshop participants are asked to keep VPN connection times to a minimum. Wired internet access options are extremely limited and do not provide larger bandwidth.

Tenaya Lodge has a small business center with only a few computers (separate fees apply). The workshop organizers will not be able to provide computers, printers, etc., to workshop participants.

10) Phone service:

Cell phone reception in the region around the Lodge is spotty to non-existent. There is a pay phone near the meeting rooms and all hotel rooms have phones (typical hotel phone charges apply).

11) Panel discussion:

A panel discussion led by A.K. Kerman (MIT and UTK/ORNL) will take place in the afternoon of Thursday, October 25. "Unresolved questions in compound-nuclear reaction physics" will be introduced and discussed by the panelists. We are looking forward to a lively session with audience participation.

12) Presentations – general remarks:

We have made an effort to give every workshop participant an opportunity to present their work in one form or another to the whole workshop community. This, and the wish to not totally overload the program, has lead to presentation assignments of various lengths. We would like to encourage all presenters, but especially poster presenters and speakers with longer talks, to include some introductory material in their presentations, in order to accommodate the diverse audience. It might also be useful to have some explanatory material at hand for the Q&A and discussion sessions.

For both poster and oral presenters: If you have not already done so, please send an updated title to J. Escher (<u>escher1@llnl.gov</u>) and submit an abstract to T. Kawano (<u>kawano@lanl.gov</u>), following the guidelines on the workshop web site.

13) Speaker instructions:

Speakers have been informed by email of their session assignment and length of presentation. Please check the information given in that email against the program and confirm your participation in the relevant session by sending a brief email to J. Escher (escher1@llnl.gov). Please contact the organizing committee promptly if you have to cancel your participation.

Please note that the length of your presentation includes time for questions from the audience. In particular, 20-minute talks should reserve 5 minutes for questions, and 30-minute talks should set aside 8 minutes. The meeting room is 59 feet (18m) by 34 feet

(10m) and will have one screen on a narrow end. Participants in the last rows are likely to appreciate large fonts.

The preferred formats for presentations are PowerPoint and PDF. Alternatively, we plan to provide a traditional overhead projector for transparencies, if needed. All electronic presentations will be collected no later than 24 hours prior to the relevant session and placed on one of the conference laptops. You may email your talk to Ian Thompson (thompson97@llnl.gov) before Friday, October 19, 4 pm Pacific time, or bring it on a memory stick to the meeting. Please contact Ian Thompson if you have any technical questions regarding your presentation or if you need to use an overhead projector.

14) Instructions for poster presenters:

A poster session is scheduled for the afternoon of Tuesday, October 22. Poster presenters have been notified by email regarding their contribution and are invited to present a 1-2 minute oral summary of their poster at the beginning of the session. No questions will be allowed during the oral summary. An optional 1-page presentation slide (in PowerPoint or PDF format) may accompany the oral summary. The summary slide needs to be emailed to Ian Thompson (thompson97@llnl.gov) before Friday, October 19, 4 pm Pacific time, or given to him on a memory stick at least 24 hours before the poster session.

While there is no limit on the height of the poster, it should not be more than 80 cm (31 in) wide. Since the poster will be affixed to the wall with tape, it should NOT be mounted on heavy poster board.

15) Proceedings:

We are currently exploring options for publishing proceedings for the CNR* 2007 workshop. Details will be announced at the workshop.